

CONDENSED MINUTES
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MAY 15, 2015

Fort Edward, New York, Friday, May 15, 2015.

The Board of Supervisors convened in regular session at 10:05 AM at the County Office Building, Fort Edward, New York pursuant to Rule 1 of Rules of said Board.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY called the meeting to order and presided.

Mr. Armstrong offered the prayer.

Mr. O'Brien led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and read the Fire Safety Notice.

The Clerk called the roll:

PRESENT: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY opened the public hearing on Introductory Local Law "B" of 2015 at 10:08 AM. There were no comments from the public. CHAIRMAN LINDSAY closed the public hearing at 10:09 AM.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY introduced Jay Skellie, President of the Washington County Farm Bureau who talked about agriculture in Washington County, noting the top issues being labor and property taxes.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY introduced Joan Prouty who went over the details of the 2015 income tax preparation done through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

The condensed minutes of the April 17, 2015 meeting were accepted as mailed.

The Clerk read the communications.

A motion to approve the May Audit Report and pay all bills as audited, was moved by Mr. Pitts, seconded by Supervisors Gang, Shaw, Dumas, O'Brien, Shay, Armstrong and adopted.

A motion to approve the May Mortgage Tax Warrant, was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Dumas, Suprenant, Gang and adopted.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY announced two Proclamations issued proclaiming 1) May 2015 is Older Americans Month; and 2) May 2015 is Mental Health Month.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked if any Supervisor had any request for Supervisors' Privilege of the Floor. There were no requests.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked that the resolutions be introduced. A motion to set aside the rules to present Resolution No. 116, moved by Mr. Henke, seconded by Mr. Haff and adopted.

Resolution No. 98 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors LaPointe, Campbell, Idleman, Pitts, Dumas, Fedler, Gang – TITLE: To Appoint Members to the Washington County Youth Advisory Board.

Resolution No. 99 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend 2014 Budget – General Fund and Solid Waste.

Resolution No. 100 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: To Transfer Funds to Debt Service Reserve Fund.

Resolution No. 101 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend DSS Budget to Purchase Shelving for Storage Room and Furniture for Foster Care Interview Room.

Resolution No. 102 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend Budget – Youth Bureau for NYS OCFS Funds for Sexually Exploited Youth.

Resolution No. 103 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend Budget – Sewer District No. 1.

Resolution No. 104 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: To Adopt Introductory Local Law “B” of 2015.

Resolution No. 105 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Setting Health Insurance Rules for Washington County Employees Who Are Not a Member of a Bargaining Unit and Retirees.

Resolution No. 106 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Ratify Agreement Between Washington County and Teamsters Local 294 for Years 2015 – 2017 for Employees of the Public Works Department Highway Division.

Resolution No. 107 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Henke, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: To Approve Contract Between Adirondack Community College and Its Faculty Association for Years 2015-2016 Through 2016-2017.

Resolution No. 108 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend the Grade Schedule – Increase Grade of Computer Systems Coordinator (DSS).

Resolution No. 109 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors O'Brien, LaPointe, Hicks – TITLE: Create the Title of Senior Civil Clerk, Place on the Grade Schedule and Amend the Staffing Pattern – Sheriff.

Resolution No. 110 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors O'Brien, LaPointe, Hicks – TITLE: Create the Title of Pavement Management Coordinator, Set the Rate of Pay and Amend the Staffing Pattern –

Department of Public Works.

Resolution No. 111 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors O'Brien, LaPointe, Hicks – TITLE: Amend Staffing Pattern – Buildings & Grounds to Add One Temporary Laborer.

Resolution No. 112 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, LaPointe, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Pitts, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Amend DSS Budget to Best Estimate For End of Year 2015 and Transfer \$850,000 to 2015 County Road Fund.

Resolution No. 113 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Campbell, Brown, Suprenant, Idleman, Hicks, O'Brien, Haff – TITLE: Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Washington County Amending Resolution No. 31, Adopted February 25, 1970, Regarding Allocation of Such County's Net Collections from its Local Sales and Compensating Use Taxes.

Resolution No. 114 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors O'Brien, LaPointe, Suprenant – TITLE: Approve Upgrade of Computer Operator in Information Technology Department and Amend Staffing Pattern.

Resolution No. 115 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors O'Brien, LaPointe, Suprenant – TITLE: Authorize Salary Adjustment for Assistant District Attorney.

Resolution No. 116 May 15, 2015 By Supervisors Pitts, Brown – TITLE: Supporting the Community of Shushan and the Towns of Salem and Jackson in Their Efforts to Preserve a Post Office in the Hamlet of Shushan.

The Board went on to consider the resolutions.

Resolution No. 98, moved by Mr. LaPointe, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Gang, Dumas, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Shay and adopted.

Resolution No. 99, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Gang and adopted.

Resolution No. 100, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Suprenant and adopted.

Resolution No. 101, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Gang, Dumas and adopted.

Resolution No. 102, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Gang, Dumas, O'Brien and adopted.

Resolution No. 103, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Henke and adopted.

Resolution No. 104, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Gang, Dumas and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,430 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 105, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Gang, O'Brien and adopted.

Resolution No. 106, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, LaPointe and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,430 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 107, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Gang, Dumas, Suprenant, Armstrong and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 12 Henke, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Lindsay, LaPointe, Shay, Armstrong

NOES: 3 Fedler, Brown, Pitts

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 2,951 NOES: 479 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 108, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Gang, Dumas and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 14 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

NOES: 1 Brown

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,298 NOES: 132 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 109, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Dumas, Suprenant and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,430 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 110, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Gang, Campbell, Armstrong. CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked for discussion. A motion to amend Resolution No. 110 to remove eliminating the position of Pavement Management Summer Intern from the Staffing Pattern, was moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Brown, Haff and adopted. Resolution No. 110, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Gang, Campbell, Armstrong and adopted, as amended by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,430 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 111, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Gang, Campbell, Shay and adopted.

Resolution No. 112, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Gang, Dumas, LaPointe and adopted.

Resolution No. 113, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Shay, Dumas, Armstrong. CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked for discussion. Mr. Haff asked if the towns have to opt out again in regard to applying their distribution to the county tax. Roger Wickes stated that if a town has already opted out, that still applies until a new resolution is adopted by the town. Roger added further that a town can opt to apply all or any specified amount toward the county tax. Discussion ensued on removing the \$1,000,000 floor. A motion to amend Resolution No. 113 to increase the amount of net collections distributed from 7% to 8%, moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. O'Brien. A motion for the question on the amendment, moved by Mr. LaPointe, seconded by Mr. Shay and adopted. Supervisors O'Brien, Brown opposed. A motion to amend Resolution No. 113 to increase the amount of net collections distributed from 7% to 8%, moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. O'Brien and defeated by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 8 Henke, Fedler, Shaw, O'Brien, Haff, Brown, LaPointe, Armstrong

NOES: 7 Gang, Dumas, Suprenant, Campbell, Lindsay, Pitts, Shay

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 1,301 NOES: 2,129 ABSENT: 830

Discussion continued on Resolution No. 113 as presented. Mr. O'Brien stated that Mr. Hicks put a lot of time and energy into researching this and one point made was that the towns and villages put a lot of time and money to bring business in and could use the raise. A motion for the question on the resolution, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. LaPointe and adopted. Resolution No. 113, moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Fedler, Shay, Dumas, Armstrong and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 12 Henke, Fedler, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, Shay, Armstrong

NOES: 3 Gang, LaPointe, Pitts

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,138 NOES: 292 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 114, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Suprenant and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 15 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Haff, Campbell, Brown, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,430 ABSENT: 830

Resolution No. 115, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Dumas, Suprenant, Shay, Armstrong. CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked for discussion. Mr. O'Brien stated this resolution is to equalize attorney pay. Mr. Campbell questioned whether the Carp grant will be available in the future. Resolution No. 115, moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Supervisors Henke, Dumas, Suprenant, Shay, Armstrong and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: 13 Henke, Fedler, Gang, Shaw, Dumas, Suprenant, O'Brien, Campbell, Lindsay, LaPointe, Pitts, Shay, Armstrong

NOES: 2 Haff, Brown

ABSENT: 2 Hicks, Idleman

AYES: 3,132 NOES: 298 ABSENT" 830

Resolution No. 116, moved by Mr. Pitts, seconded unanimously and adopted.

CHAIRMAN LINDSAY asked for Supervisors' comments. Mrs. Fedler congratulated Kayla Gully who holds a state office in the NYS FFA. Mr. Henke stated that at the ACC Commencement, there were 166 Washington County residents graduating. He added that a resident of Fort Ann was awarded a Certificate of Excellence. Mr. Shaw stated that the town is working on getting Burton Hall on the National Historic Register.

Mr. Shaw announced the adjournment of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Huffer, Deputy Clerk